

I 58. Hausdorff & Regular Spaces. No. 6 Equivalence Relations on a regular space.

Propn: Let $X \xrightarrow{\pi} X/R$ be a quotient map, where R is "pinching a closed set to a point". Assume that X is REGULAR. Then X/R is Hdf (but not in general regular).

Proof: For two points ~~are~~ in the quotient, neither of which is the pinched one, ~~we only~~ we just take nbhds that are disjoint around the corresponding points in X and further not meeting F (where F is the closed set that is pinched) (possible since $X \setminus F$ is open in X and Hdf). These are saturated.

Suppose one of the points is the pinched one. Then we separate, by disjoint ~~closed sets~~ nbhds, the closed set F and the other point. These are saturated. QED

RESULT: If R is an open & closed relation on X REGULAR, then X/R is Hdf

(Criterion for Hdfness of X/R).

Proof: $X \times X \xrightarrow{\text{quotient}} \frac{X \times X}{R \times R} \rightarrow \frac{X}{R} \times \frac{X}{R}$ continuous bijection (map exists by universal property of the quotient by $R \times R$)

The pull-back of the diagonal of X/R to $X \times X$ is the graph $G := \{(a, b) \in X \times X \mid a \sim_R b\}$ of the relation R . Thus G being closed is a necessary condition for X/R to be Hdf.

Suppose Under the hypothesis that X is regular and R is closed, G is closed (see Proposition below). Since R is open, the map $X \times X \rightarrow X/R \times X/R$ is open (product of two open maps is open) and so $\frac{X \times X}{R \times R} \cong \frac{X}{R} \times \frac{X}{R}$. Observe that G is saturated for $R \times R$. So the image of G in $X \times X / R \times R$ is closed. In $X/R \times X/R$, the image ~~is~~ of G is closed and this is the diagonal of X/R . $\square$

PROPn: (CRUCIAL INGREDIENT IN THE RESULT ABOVE). X REGULAR and R CLOSED on X . Then the graph G of R in $X \times X$ is closed.

Proof: Suppose $(a, b) \notin G$. ETS that $\exists$ nbhds U, V around a and b that are disjoint and one of which is saturated (so that $(U \times V) \cap G = \emptyset$).

Since $(a, b) \notin G$, we have $\{a\}^{\text{sat}} \cap \{b\} = \emptyset$. Note $\{a\}$ is closed (X is Hdf so accessible) and so $\{a\}^{\text{sat}}$ is closed (since R is closed).

Thus $X \setminus \{a\}^{\text{sat}}$ is a saturated open nbhd of b . By regularity (closed nbhds form an FSN around any point) $\exists$ closed nbhd of b s.t.

$U \subseteq X \setminus \{a\}^{\text{sat}}$. Since $X \setminus \{a\}^{\text{sat}}$ is saturated, $C^{\text{saturated}} \subseteq X \setminus \{a\}^{\text{sat}}$.

Since R is closed, $C^{\text{saturated}}$ is closed. The nbhds $X \setminus C^{\text{saturated}}$ of a and $C^{\text{saturated}}$ of b (or even C of b) have the desired properties. $\square$